

## AFL Executive Council Declares Passage of Federal Housing Bill Is Imperative Duty of Congress

**MOONEY'S LAWYERS PREDICT HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON** President Green Holds Court Decision Invalidating Resettle

Washington, D. C. (AP)—John W. Whitney, one of the lawyers representing Tom Mooney in his habeas corpus suit, today won a preliminary consideration by a referee of the United States District Court in San Francisco, declared in a statement here today that he was confident of his confidence in the ultimate release of Mooney from prison. In his belief, he said, is shared by Frank J. Walsh of the United States House of Representatives and by the late J. P. Davis of San Francisco, the other members of Mooney's volunteer counsel.

The habeas corpus writ demands that Mooney be released from prison. It was denied due process of law under the Federal Constitution, it was convicted on perjured testimony, and it was subjected to the persecution to be perpetrated by the San Francisco bomb squad.

"The decision proves that there must be a clear-cut national housing policy carefully designed and enacted by Congress," the attorney general said.

It gives incontrovertible proof of the fact that housing cannot be brought in by the 'side door' under any disguise whatsoever," he said.

"The Council deplores the decision of the court against the housing project at Bound Brook, N. J. This decision will

In January, 1935, the U. S. Supreme Court denied Mooney's petition to file an original habeas corpus writ on the ground that he had not exhausted all his legal rights before the California courts. Chief Justice Hughes, who wrote the majority opinion, said:

California finally refused such a writ the U. S. Supreme Court would assume jurisdiction. The Court would then hear the writ of habeas corpus conducted by the referee of the California Supreme Court is the last stage in the proceedings to have the Nation's heaviest judicial tribunal act on Mooney's demand that the doors of San Quentin Prison be finally opened to him after 20 years of unjust and illegal incarceration.

Washington, D. C. (AP/NS).—Senator Hugo L. Black of Alabama will become chairman of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor before the present Congress adjourns. It was announced here today. The committee consists of 14 members.

ance and has recently held hearings on the Wagner-1875,950,000 Federal housing bill.

It was explained the vacancy is created under the seniority rule of the Senate, which will give the chairmanship of the committee to the next man made vacant by the death of Senator Frammell of Florida, to Senator Walsh of Massachusetts, who is now chairman of the committee on naval affairs. Senator Walsh has announced that he will accept the naval post. Under the

out rigid restrictions on the Federal powers, and without definition of local rights and responsibilities.

Senator Walsh said that he will bring these difficulties and honestly confront them by offering a program which would sound legally and well designed economic

"The decision claims that there has been 'riotous delegation of power' to the President by Congress with respect to the question of the Federal Government's quota limitations as to the kind of

Wagner Bill solves problem of the rights of local governments.

### Anti-Picketing Injunction

**Nearly 2,000 Workers  
Unemployed in Nazi Germany**

stermed in liquidating the unemployed army. The Nazi Ministry of Labor announced that at the end of April there were 1,762,674 unemployed, a decrease of only 174,000 during the month.

## Hopkins Issues Drastic Order Banning Armed Guards and Spies on WPA Projects

State Administrators Are Also Prohibited from Blacklisting Employees

By A. F. L. News Service

Washington, D. C.—Emphasizing the paramount importance of "fair and equitable relations" with WPA workers, Harry L. Hopkins, Works Progress Administration director, today issued orders that strikers not to employ armed guards to maintain order on WPA projects and that State Administrators they must not "blacklist" employees for political or racial reasons.

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"The maintenance of order is the function of the State and State governments, and if protection is necessary in connection with WPA activities, it should be secured from the regular police force of the locality. WPA funds are not to be used to employ men of armed guards."

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It was understood that a number of WPA workers in New York City and Allegheny County, Pa., had filed com-

Declaring that "the responsibility of administering the works program without discrimination is shared by all of the Federal Government's employees in State and district offices," Mr. Hopkins said the regulations were issued "in the interest of good labor relations."

The text of the instructions follows:

"3. The use of the 'blacklist' or other lists that may serve to discriminate against individual workers is prohibited. This prohibition does not mean that the Government will not permit any discriminatory practices that may operate to work hardship on unemployed persons because of their beliefs, organizational activities, or situations."